

pH calculations

1) Calculate the concentration of the methanoic acid solution with a pH of 2.78.

$$pK_a(\text{HCOOH}) = 3.74$$

2) Calculate the pH of 0.150 mol L^{-1} aqueous ammonia, NH_3 .

$$pK_a(\text{NH}_4^+) = 9.24$$

3) A solution prepared by dissolving hydrogen fluoride in water has a pH of 2.34. Calculate the concentration of the hydrogen fluoride in the solution.

$$pK_a(\text{HF}) = 3.17$$

4) Calculate the concentration of the NH_4Cl solution.

$$pK_a(\text{NH}_4^+) = 9.24 \quad K_a = 5.75 \times 10^{-10}$$

5) Calculate the pH of a $0.0500 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ethanoic acid solution. $pK_a(\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}) = 4.76$ $K_a = 1.74 \times 10^{-5}$

6) A solution prepared by dissolving sodium methanoate in water has a pH of 8.65. Determine the concentration of methanoate ions in the solution.

7) Write the K_a expression for hypobromous acid. Calculate the pH of a $0.0525 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ hypobromous acid solution.

$$\text{p}K_a(\text{HOBr}) = 8.62$$

8) The pH of the solution in the stomach of a patient in hospital is 2.50. As a treatment, the patient is given a small volume of sodium citrate (Na_3Cit) solution. Citric acid, H_3Cit , is a triprotic acid.

i) Would the pH of a solution of sodium citrate be less than, equal to or greater than 7?

A calculation is not required.

ii) Explain your choice, including an appropriate equation in your answer.

9) Calculate the concentration of ethanoate ions (CH_3COO^-) in a buffer solution of pH 5.00 if the concentration of CH_3COOH in the buffer is $0.0500 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$.

$$K_a(\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}) = 1.76 \times 10^{-5} \text{ at } 25^\circ\text{C}$$

10) An industrial process produces an effluent that is an ammonium chloride solution with pH = 4.96.

$$\text{p}K_a: \text{NH}_4^+ = 9.25$$

i) What is the concentration of the ammonium chloride solution?

ii) If the effluent has to be at pH = 7.00 before it can be discharged from the site, what mass of ammonia (g) must be dissolved in 1000 L of effluent?